

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the first sentence as added by the first preliminary amendment, insert

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 1, after the first sentence, insert --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 2, after line 5, insert --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--;

Page 2, line 8, after "to 4." insert

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the artificial basal finger joint of the present invention.

Fig. 2 is a proximal view of the artificial basal finger joint of the present invention.

Fig. 3 is a view of the artificial joint of the implant according to the present invention in flexion position.

Fig. 4 shows a section of the implant in the position according to Fig. 3 in a side view.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION--; and

Page 4, before claim 1, insert --It is claimed--.